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Subject: Re: IRIS & formaldehyde assessment

"EPA continues to discuss this assessment with our Agency program partners and have no further updates to provide at this time. Assessments of this type are often the result of needs for particular rulemakings and undergo an extensive intra-agency and interagency process. Mr. Yamada and Mr. Jackson have not cancelled briefings on assessments or during the IRIS process, and in fact have requested briefings. The National Academy of Science and Congress in legislative reports have for years been highly critical of EPA's previous assessments involving formaldehyde." - EPA Spokesperson

On background:

Nancy Beck is the Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention. She does not lead, direct, or make decisions for the IRIS program, which is in the Office of Research and Development.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 3, 2018, at 3:49 PM, Annie Snider <asnider@politico.com> wrote:

Arrrgggg! I am so sorry! Everytime I think I've deleted it it comes back. I will sit down with my tech guys after the holiday and figure out what I'm doing wrong.

From: Block, Molly [mailto:block.molly@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 3:48 PM

To: Annie Snider <asnider@politico.com>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James

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Cc: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov> Subject: RE: IRIS & formaldehyde assessment

Working on something now. Also adding my epa email.

From: Annie Snider [mailto:asnider@politico.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 3:47 PM

To: Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <<u>Molly.Block@mail.house.gov</u>>; Hewitt, James

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Hi all, just wanted to circle back on this – do you think you'll be able to get me something? We want to be sure to give you adequate time to respond – I can talk with my editor about deadline if you think you'll need more time.

From: Annie Snider

Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 2:21 PM

To: Jahan Wilcox (wilcox.jahan@epa.gov) <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; 'Block, Molly'

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Subject: IRIS & formaldehyde assessment

Hi all, I am working on a story about the delayed IRIS formaldehyde assessment and the broader fight over the IRIS program. Could you get me comment on a few things? Filing by COB today.

- -Administrator Pruitt told Senate EPW at the end of January that it was his understanding that the formaldehyde assessment was complete. Why has the report not been released?
- -Have political officials prevented the assessment from going through the necessary internal review? I have 2 sources who say that politicals, including Ryan Jackson & Richard Yamada, have inserted themselves into the process and cancelled briefings.
- -The sources say the report finds that formaldehyde is linked with leukemia and other ailments at very low dosages, levels that most Americans are exposed to on a daily basis. Has this finding been changed?
- -ACC says it has met regularly with EPA about the assessment, including a meeting at EPA on January 24. Who attended this meeting?
- -Are other IRIS assessments being held up?
- -What role has Nancy Beck played in the IRIS program since coming to EPA?

Feel free to give me a ring on my cell if you want to discuss. Thanks –

Annie

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